

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1215

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By Mrs. Haddad of Somerset, petition of Patricia A. Haddad and Robert Correia for legislation to require instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation and the use of automatic external defibrillators for high school graduation. Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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### AN ACT REQUIRING INSTRUCTION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND THE USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1     The first paragraph of section 1 of chapter 71 of the General  
2     Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended  
3     by striking out the sixth sentence and inserting in place thereof the  
4     following 2 sentences:—  
5     All public high school students shall be required to study and to  
6     demonstrate a general knowledge of cardiopulmonary resuscita-  
7     tion and the use of automatic external defibrillators as a prerequi-  
8     site for graduation. The department of education shall pay the cost  
9     of such instruction, which may be taught by anyone who is certi-  
10    fied in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.